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Ms. Elizabeth Thayer California Central Valley Water Quality Control Board Central Valley Region 11020 Sun Center Dr., #200 Rancho Cordova, Ca 95670

Subject:

Hammonton Gold Village Wastewater Treatment Plant

Tentative Waste Discharge Requirements (NPDES #CA0081574)

Dear Ms. Thayer,

Yuba County is in receipt of the Tentative Waste Discharge Requirements (NPDES #CA0081574) for the Hammonton Gold Village wastewater treatment plant (facility) dated June 14, 2011. Thank you for an opportunity to comment.

First, we would like to inform the Board that the current operator of the facility, the City of Yuba City, has opted not to extend its contract with the County of Yuba as operator for the subject facility. The City has agreed to continue as operator until Yuba County finds a suitable replacement. While this should not materially affect the subject Order, we nevertheless wanted to forward this information to you.

On page 11, under Discharge Prohibitions, the Order specifies that discharge of treated wastewater to surface waters is prohibited from April 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>. We request that April 1<sup>st</sup> be changed to May 1<sup>st</sup>, since historically April can be a fairly wet month.

Several sections refer to biosolids sampling and/or biosolids use/disposal plan. It should be noted that the facility does not store, treat, or discharge biosolids. These and all biosolids requirements should be in effect only if the facility changes current practices.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of these comments. Please don't hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

Michael Lee, P.E. Public Works Director



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